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- 36. A method of processing a previously encoded MPEG video high-resolution (HR) file and corresponding proxy file, for frame accurate timecode repair and synchronization of individual video frames of the HR file and proxy file, comprising the following steps:
- (a) for each video frame of the HR file and proxy file, creating a compressed timecode packet having an identifying signature, an absolute timecode of the frame, a relative timecode of the frame, a picture type and a picture reference, wherein the timecodes having the SMPTE timecode format HH:MM:SS:FF;
- (b) modifying the HR file and proxy file by inserting in a header of each video frame of the HR file and proxy file the corresponding compressed timecode packet, while maintaining the files' original frame presentation timing:
- (c) automatically verifying the timecodes in the HR file and proxy file timecode packets; and
- (d) if needing a repair of the HR file anomalous absolute timecodes, automatically correcting the anomalous absolute timecodes in the HR file timecode packets,

thereby preserving the MPEG compliance and compressed audio/video data of the HR file and proxy file.

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a computer coupled to an electronic storage device for storing the MPEG video files;

programming means, performed by the computer, for creating for each video frame of the HR file and proxy file. a compressed timecode packet having an identifying signature, an absolute timecode of the frame, a relative timecode of the frame, a picture type and a picture reference, wherein the timecodes having the SMPTE timecode format HH:MM:SS:FF;

programming means, performed by the computer, for modifying the HR file and proxy file by inserting in a header of each video frame of the HR file and proxy file the corresponding compressed timecode packet, while maintaining the files' original frame presentation timing;

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